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Dear Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action mailed 20 November 2002, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Specification

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Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 7, line 15, with the following rewritten paragraph. Per 37 C.F.R. §1.121, this paragraph is also shown in Appendix A with notations to indicate the changes made.

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-- The vinyl polymers of the present invention include, for example, polymers derived from vinyl monomers such as (meth)acrylates, (meth)acrylamides, vinyl ethers, vinyl acetates and their hydrolyzed derivatives, styrenic compounds (i.e., derivatives of styrene), and N-vinyl lactams (including, for example, N-vinyl pyrrolidone, N-vinyl caprolactam, and their derivatives). Suitable vinyl polymers are soluble (i.e., form transparent homogenous solutions)